

## Social and Personal.

### SHE WAS ALMOST CRAZY

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Herford, W. Va.—"For about four years," writes Rachel E. Mercer of this place, "I had suffered from female troubles."

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The Alumnae Association of the Woman's College, of this city, will hold their annual meeting at 1:30 o'clock in the college chapel. After the business has been concluded there will be a debate on the subject of "Woman's Suffrage." Mrs. F. H. Templeman, first vice-president of the association, has charge of the arrangements. The positive side of the debate will be taken by Miss Annie Reddy and Mrs. F. D. Epps; the negative by Miss Mary Carter Anderson and Miss Amy Ailing. Miss Margery Gross, president of the senior class, will render a vocal selection, and there will be several piano numbers by Misses Belle Gayle, Maude Adams and Adrianna Kuyk.

Invitations issued. Mrs. Barton H. Grundy has invitations out for a card party Friday afternoon in her home, 500 West Franklin Street.

Visiting in Minnesota. Miss Agnes Sullivan, of Grove Avenue, who has been visiting Mr. W. H. Hurley at Deal Beach, New Jersey, has gone to Minneapolis, Minn., where she will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. I. V. Yarnell, and will later accompany the latter on a two-months' trip to Southern California and the Pacific coast. Mrs. Yarnell is most pleasantly remembered here as Miss Josephine Sullivan before her marriage several years ago.

Lumpkin—Bradley. The wedding of Miss Florence Elise Bradley to Robert B. Lumpkin, of Richmond, will be celebrated to-day in Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Lumpkin will be at home after February 21, at 113 South Fifth Street.

Box Party at Track Meet. Mayor and Mrs. Richardson entertained a party of friends most delightfully in their box Saturday night at the Richmond College track meet. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs. A. Smyth, Misses Therese Nurney and Bess Holland, of Suffolk.

Miss Mary Traylor was also hostess of a box party Saturday evening. Miss Traylor's engagement to Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson, of Baltimore, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Henry Edgerton Riley. The marriage will take place on Wednesday, February 23, at 10:30 o'clock, at 1039 St. Paul Street, the town house of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, and will be followed by a small breakfast, after which the bride and bridegroom will leave for Memphis, Tenn., where Mr. Riley is in business. Owing to mourning in the family of the bridegroom, the wedding will be quiet, with only the two families present.

Miss Patterson is a great-niece of Madame Bonaparte, the celebrated Betsy Patterson, who married Jerome, a brother of Napoleon. Mr. Riley is the son of the late Colonel J. J. Riley and of Mrs. Riley, of Clarke county, Va., and belongs to the oldest aristocracy of this State. He is related to the Dandrighs, Pendletons, Taylors,

and "Sir Hugh."

Mrs. John Lamb and Miss Warren presided at the chocolate table, and Mrs. Clifford Miller and Mrs. Robins poured tea.

Special guests of the club were: Miss Estelle Taylor, Miss Mary Burnley Gwathmey, Mrs. J. C. Pritchard, Miss Martha Jones, Miss Elizabeth Brown and Miss Johnson.

Mrs. Widen's Card Party. Mrs. Richard Widen was hostess of three tables of bridge whist on Saturday afternoon in her home on Monument Avenue in honor of Mrs. Ma. Goegfog, of New York, who is her house guest. The rooms were charmingly decorated in pink lilies, carnations, and handsome prizes were awarded at each table.

Annance Meeting Thursday. The regular midwinter meeting of

Compton's, Washingtons and other families of distinction.

In Honor of Miss Harding. Miss Mary R. Roth, of 2308 West Grace Street, entertained very attractively Monday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock in honor of her friend, Miss Bernice Harding, of Alabama. Covers were laid for twelve, and decorations were in American Beauty roses, pink carnations and candles.

As the hostess of a tea to be given this afternoon at 5 o'clock in her home, 10 East Franklin Street, Mrs. J. Taylor Elyson, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor, extends again informal invitations to the wives and daughters of the members of the Senate and House of Delegates, in whose honor the tea is given. Any lady overlooked through the fact of her city address not being known, or any one arriving since the issuance of invitations is cordially urged by Mrs. Elyson to be present.

She will be assisted in receiving by Mrs. William J. Mann, Mrs. Richard Evelyn Byrd, of Winchester, and Mrs. W. W. Sale, of Norfolk.

Miss Kunkler, of Baltimore. Miss A. Catherine Kunkler, of 321 Clay Street, entertained very pleasantly in honor of her cousin, Miss Lillian A. Burkett, of Kentucky. Those present included the guest of honor, Miss Burkett; Misses Mary Winfrey, Clara Messerschmidt, Gertrude Garrison, Sally Woodcock, Fanny James, Myrtle Guiley, Alice Brown, Mrs. Fletcher, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Pitts, of this city; Messrs. Manuel E. Vilar, George Rogers, C. Staples, Malcolm Pitts, Edward Vaughan, Edward Woodward, Charles F. Faulkner, Thomas Clark, J. H. Headen, N. Davis, C. Messerschmidt.

Grimes—Smoot. Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Ryan have issued invitations for the marriage of their niece, Miss Ida Louise Smoot, of this city, to William Laing Grimes, of the ceremony to take place on Thursday evening, February 24, at 6 o'clock, at "Windynokwe," near Lynchburg.

Mr. Grimes and his bride will be at home after March 15 at 114 Mills Avenue, Spartanburg, S. C.

Miss Elletts Alumnae. Many of the ex-students of Miss Elletts school assembled yesterday afternoon in the school building at 14 North Laurel Street, to organize an Alumnae Association, and the meeting was so most enthusiastically received.

Officers for the first year were elected as follows: President, Miss Katherine D. Lancaster; Vice-President, Miss Caroline G. Reynolds; Treasurer, Miss Ella W. Buck; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Caroline T. Armstrong; Recording Secretary, Miss Martha M. Robinson.

It was decided to hold the first annual meeting of the association about April 15, when a constitution will be adopted and the organization perfected.

Call Meeting To-Day. There will be an important called meeting of the Junior Hollywood Memorial Association in Lee Camp Hall at 11 o'clock this morning. The Junior Hebrew and Oakwood Associations are asked to meet with them, and business of importance will be transacted.

Attendance in Lynchburg. A very enjoyable dance was given last week at the Assembly Hall by the Diamond Mill Cotton Club, the music for the occasion being furnished by the Lynchburg Orchestra. The affair was elaborately decorated, and the affair a notably successful one. Frozen punch was served during the evening.

W. D. Johns, several beautiful german figures were led in the beginning by R. J. Hughes with Miss Maude Walker, and a hop followed. The chaperons for the evening were Mrs. Johns, Mrs. H. M. Paxton and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mosley.

Among those dancing was Miss Mary C. Evans, of this city, with H. L. Lewis.

Dance Friday Evening. A very attractive dance was given Friday evening in the Hermitage Golf Club at 9:30 o'clock. The hall was attractively decorated in red and white flowers. Those dancing were: Miss Laura E. Dickerson, in black satin, with C. Vernal Blackburn.

Miss Louise Bowles, in white net over satin, with Mr. Ramsey. Miss Jane Simmons, in black princess, with A. M. Pullen.

Miss Anne Poid, in pink messaline, with O. Pennington. Miss Louise Tamm, in old rose satin, with Clifford Taylor.

Miss Marie Todd, in green messaline, with Jack Farley. Miss Virginia Horner, in blue crepe de chine, with Ben Lewis.

Miss Mayne Black, in white satin, with Frank H. Hays. Miss Helene Tobien, in pink chiffon, with Mr. Williams.

Miss Louise Hickerson, in yellow messaline, with Herbert Crenshaw. Miss Inez Goddin, in pink messaline, with W. J. Peyton, Jr.

Miss Marie Connors, in black messaline, with Mr. Tiller. Miss Marjorie Goode, in yellow messaline, with Frank Phillips.

Miss Julia Goode, in blue satin, with John Goode. Miss Nell Buchanan, of Norfolk, in pink satin, with Mr. Grippen, of New York.

Miss Annie May Osborne, of Norfolk, in black satin, with Mr. Ryerson, of New York.

Miss Wray Wharton, in green messaline, with Hunter Jones. Miss Nancy Briggs, in lavender messaline, with Mr. Timberlake.

Miss Minnie Delaplane, in yellow messaline, with Mr. Smith. Miss Clara Shepherd, in pink messaline, with Mr. Colbert.

Miss Sue Eastwood, in blue messaline, with Carroll Shepherd. Miss Hazel Faulconer, in white satin, with Bernard Tiller.

Miss Minnie Wray, of Washington, D. C., in yellow chiffon, with Jeff Williams.

Miss Louise Francis, in blue messaline, with Chas. Saunders. Miss Daisy Galepie, in lavender messaline, with Jack Watkins.

The stage was Messrs. Batin and Lockett. Mr. and Mrs. Louis P. Thomas and Mrs. Arnett, of Norfolk, chaperoned the affair.

In and Out of Town. Miss Martha Robinson, who has been the guest of Miss Mary Ware, in Birmingham, Ala., for several weeks, returned last night to the city.

Miss Pauline Grant, of this city, is visiting friends at Rapidan, Va.

Mrs. Sam Gordon and Mrs. P. Meyers are visiting their brother, Charles Fisher, 2208 Park Avenue.

Mrs. Charles Mortimer Catlin is the guest of Mrs. John H. Williams, 1900 West Avenue, where she will remain for several weeks before returning to her home in New York.

Miss Ruby Peay, of 2200 M Street, has returned to her home, after a visit to Miss Laura Holmes, in Williamsburg, Va.

Mrs. James C. Smyth, of 221 West Grace Street, has returned to the city.

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After a visit to Mrs. S. W. McGinn, in Norfolk.

Miss Emily Clarke, of this city, who has been visiting Miss Elizabeth Lloyd, in Alexandria, is now the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Wallis, on Seminary Hill.

Miss Nina Louise Gans, of Richmond, will spend part of this week with her grandmother, Mrs. S. W. Gans, in Washington. Miss Gans is en route to New York, where she will make an extended visit with relatives.

Mrs. S. W. Gans, who was operated on several days ago at St. Luke's Hospital, is now much improved and able to see his friends.

Mrs. W. A. Hall, wife of the Rev. W. A. Hall, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Wytheville, is visiting the Misses Norwood, 108 North Fifth Street.

Starks—Ratcliffe. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Fredericksburg, Va., February 14.—Robert F. Starks and Miss Sophenia Ratcliffe, daughter of the late H. H. Ratcliffe, of this city, were married a few days ago at "Liberty Hall," the home of the bride.

Lewis—Hutlish. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Fredericksburg, Va., February 14.—John E. Lewis and Miss Nina Hutlish, daughter of the late H. H. Ratcliffe, of Fauquier county, were married a few days ago at Grace Episcopal Church, The Plains, in that county. Miss Mary W. Hutlish was maid of honor, and William Slaughter, best man.

Here and There in the Legislature (Continued From Fourth Page.)

to be not less than sixty feet wide from curb to curb, allowing twenty feet from the curb to the property line. Alleys are to be twenty feet wide.

Fortune-telling, palmistry and Clairvoyance will get a blow if a bill introduced in the House by Mr. Harwood becomes a law. Such practices are forbidden when carried on for compensation. A fine is imposed of not more than \$25, or a jail term of not more than ten days, or both.

Mr. Yarrall proposed a bill in the House requiring railroads to provide waiting rooms at all stations and shelter at flag stops. Fuel is to be placed so that persons waiting can secure warmth.

Retirement of worthless boom town lots from the books was proposed.

"Sweeten Up" On a bowl of Crisp, Delicious, Golden-brown Post Toasties with cream or fruit.

"The Memory Lingers." Pkgs. 10c and 15c. Sold by Grocers.

Senator Halsey Offers Bill to Sell Liquor Only in Original Packages. CAN'T DRINK WHERE SOLD

Idea Much Like Dispensary, Though Not Under State Ownership.

"Original package" dispensary, abolishing the evils of the saloon and appropriating the meritorious features of the dispensary, are proposed by Senator Don P. Halsey, of Lynchburg, in a bill introduced into the higher branch of the General Assembly yesterday. It extirpates the convivial side of the saloon, and rejects the idea of State ownership of dispensaries. In effect, it is a private dispensary, as opposed to a public dispensary.

Under the provisions of the bill wholesale and retail licenses are continued; all spirits, except malt liquors, shall be sold only in sealed packages; the name and proof of the contents

yesterday before the House Committee on Finance by Mr. White. He called attention to the fact that many such lots are presented after one year, and nobody will bid them in for taxes. Some of these, he said, are on hill-sides so steep that a billy goat couldn't graze on them without bridling. On each of these the clerk gets a fee of 10 cents a year, thus costing the State from \$10,000 to \$20,000. When such lots have been offered three years with no takers at auction for taxes, he would retire them and put them on a book. They may be sold later for a fair cash value, approved by the clerk, the commissioner of the revenue and the treasurer, and a deed shall issue as at present under the delinquent tax law.

Mr. White also asked the passage of a bill requiring county treasurers to settle their accounts promptly with Boards of Supervisors. They are now compelled to do so with the State Auditor or ipso facto vacate their offices, and he would have them settle their local matters, also.

Plan for Catawba. Earnest appeals for liberal appropriations for the tuberculosis sanatorium at Catawba were made by State Health Commissioner E. G. Williams, by his assistant, Dr. Allan W. Freeman, and by Dr. D. S. Freeman. Remarkable details of the fight with disease were given by Dr. Williams, who said that it is a disgrace to a civilized State to have a madly tyrphoid fever as exists in Virginia. He showed that because of the effective work of the Richmond Board of Health the number of cases of this disease has been cut in half.

The success of the Catawba institution has been wonderful. It is filled to its capacity—thirty-eight—with patients. Fifty have been treated in all since it was opened last July, and some of these have already been cured. As a corollary of this treatment, Dr. Williams said that those who are cured go home and preach the doctrine of right living and freedom from disease to their relatives and friends.

The average gain in weight has been ten pounds, and the average length of treatment has been ten weeks.

Mr. Bowman, of Roanoke, introduced a bill in the House to allow the Corporation of Fisheries to pay, out of funds of the commission not otherwise expended, \$400 to each of the unsalaried members of the commission for special services for the year 1908 and 1909.

Despite the fact that bill calling for the investigation of the V. P. I. has been unfavorably reported to the Senate, the members are being bombarded with anti-temperance literature in the shape of reports from the welfare committee of the Alumni Association.

Yesterday was St. Valentine's Day, but few Senators seemed to know it. Senator Early declared that he was excited with his valentine—the appointment of a man from his district, apple-bond Albemarle, J. Richard Wingfield, to the State Corporation Commission.

Bench and bar were both interested in the case, and after the Court had fore the Senate Committee on Courts of Justice on the Chase bill to prevent the direction of verdicts by the jury of the Commonwealth.

It is the practice of the Federal courts as well as of many of the States to allow the judge to instruct the jury that verdict it shall return. If after it has heard all the facts he decides that the party against whom the verdict is requested to be directed the verdict is requested to be directed by the judge.

Chase advanced many reasons why the proposed innovation should be checked. It involves much cost to the party against whom a verdict is originally directed, for if that party succeeds in the appellate court, all he gets is his trial fee again. It is a hardship on the poor litigant.

After a century of practice which has frowned upon the direction of verdicts, it is now being revived by the State to introduce what he terms "judge-made law" for the supreme tribunal of this State has time after time reiterated its disapproval of the direction of verdicts. The present law, however, furnishes adequate remedy in the motion to set aside and in the demurrer.

Captain A. B. Gulgon, of the Richmond bar, was the sole advocate of the directions of verdicts by the judge. He pointed out that in present-day litigation the tendency of the jury is to lean toward the plaintiff, and that where the defendant is a corporation, and that there are many cases where the facts are so plainly for the defendant, that a verdict in his favor is a foregone conclusion. Then, in case of an appeal, the judge has before him the merits of the case, rather than the facts, and he is in a position to set aside a verdict, both sides are open for the inspection of the judge.

Ex-Senator Fulton was violently antagonistic to the practice of direction. He said his respects to "corporation judges," and said that he was under the impression that the law had been changed in this respect. He said that the higher bench had been taken from the ranks of corporation counsel.

Tractated before the bill would result from adoption of the innovation. It would make litigation more expensive. There is no end to a suit under the proposed system, he said.

Senator Halsey further pointed out that all other restrictions on the liquor traffic will be continued. The local option laws will not be disturbed. Communities wishing to prohibit the sale of liquor may still do so. Under his measure, he said, the revenue of the State will be protected and money that would go to other States, will be kept in Virginia. "Finally," said he,

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shall be printed on the outside of each such package; the package cannot be opened nor its contents drunk at the place of sale; place of sale must appear on a public road; sale of spirits shall take place only between the hours of 6 A. M. and 7 P. M.; entire interior must be visible to persons passing along the street in front on; billiard and pool tables, bowling alleys and other devices of amusement cannot exist in the room where the liquor is sold or any room adjoining; "small liquor bar license" are abolished.

In case the law is passed, it will take effect on May 1.

Extremists Not Consulted. "I have offered my bill without consultation with the extremists on either side of the great temperance question," declared Senator Halsey in a statement to his measure, "but after full reflection and conference with those who agree with me in the belief that the truth of the whole matter, as in all other great questions, lies between the extremes."

"My measure purposes to promote temperance, and to procure some method of regulating the liquor traffic which will reduce its evils to a minimum, without resorting to the extreme of prohibition. Prohibition, admittedly, does not prohibit in those sections where it is not backed by a strong public sentiment."

"I believe intemperance to be one of the greatest evils of the day, and that the crusade against it is justifiable on every moral, social, legal and political ground. It is not a mere matter of sentiment. The saloon as it exists now is an indefensible institution, and is doomed to go."

"My bill does away with the saloon in the sense of drinking and treating with no longer be possible. It puts an end to drunkenness and disorder around the place of sale, and will, therefore, relieve the dealer from anxiety about losing his license on account of keeping a disorderly place."

"The requirement of the name and proof on the label of the packages will do away with the sale of adulterated liquors. When the proof is thus marked on the package the practice of taking one barrel of pure liquor and making out of it four or inferior and poisonous stuff will be broken up."

Opposed to Dispensaries. "I do not believe in dispensaries, because they are paternalistic and because the public, which is interested in dispensary profits, is given an incentive to see that liquor is sold, as the more liquor sold the greater the revenue. The dispensary method of selling, taken by itself, is a vast improvement over bar-room methods, from the temperance standpoint."

"My bill should receive the support of dispensary advocates, as it provides for that method of sale. Saloon opponents will favor it because it abolishes at once every saloon in the Commonwealth. It should also receive the support of the liquor interests, because it permits liquor to be sold, though in a different way than at present, and they had better accept this additional regulation lest a worse thing happen to them."

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